



Chief Master Sgt. James W. Hotaling, Command Chief Master Sergeant of the Air National Guard, spoke with First Sergeants from the 104th Fighter Wing, Barnes Air National Guard Base, Feb. 6, 2016. See article, page 4. (photo by Senior Airman Loni Kingston)

Commander's Column

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PRIDE, PROFESSIONALISM, PATRIOTISM

“The most considerable difference I note among men is not in their readiness to fall into error, but in their readiness to acknowledge these inevitable lapses.”

Thomas Henry Huxley

Readiness – no doubt a topic you’ve heard about a lot recently, especially if you recently or are pending a deployment. Think about Huxley’s quote. Something unexpected is going to happen to you this year...it is inevitable. While you cannot control these unanticipated problems, you can control your reaction and ability to rebound and get back on track. Think of these common issues.

Let’s consider insurance. You just popped the question to the love of your life and they said yes. That’s good, because you plunked down several months of salary on the perfect ring. After you call your parents to share the news, consider a call to your insurance company to insure your investment. For a small premium each year, you can insure your valuable property such as jewelry, collections or anything of value not covered by a basic homeowners or rental policy. If the ring is lost or stolen (and it happens), you will at least have some financial protection for a replacement.

Mother Nature can throw us a curveball at any time. Do you live near a river, stream or any big body of water? Do you need flood insurance? What about the winter? Most of us have spent at least a night or two in our homes without power. Ensuring you have

some extra wood, a generator or a pellet stove to keep the house warm could mean the difference between a slightly cold night at home versus broken water pipes and thousands of dollars of damage.

If you recently deployed, you should already have the basics of a will, power of attorney and updated vRED and SGLI. You may have a house, property, children, parents or a spouse who rely upon you for financial support and I have no doubt you want them to be taken care of in the event of a tragedy. Even if you are not deploying, take the time to consider and have a conversation with your loved ones how they could most successfully recover if you were unable to continue to support them. It is not comfortable or fun or even remotely enjoyable, but I can tell you that from my personal experiences in the Force Support Squad-

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ron, families are always shell shocked and traumatized during a serious injury or worse. You can help your loved ones by having your affairs in order.

Think about that voice in your head. Do you look at a tree next to your house and keep thinking that you need to get it trimmed or re-

moved? Is the low tire pressure light or check engine light on in your car? Are you putting off that visit to the doctor, veterinarian or lawyer? There is no time like the present to knock these to-do items off your list.

Here's the bottom line, in the words of Baltsar Gratian.

"Readiness is the mother of luck." If you want to feel lucky when the inevitable lapse occurs, get prepared now so you can tackle the problem and get back on track.

DIAMOND CORNER: First Sergeant's Column

Drug Testing Program Dos and Don'ts

By Senior Master Sgt. Thomas Moriarty

Over the last several months I have been fielding more and more complaints about the drug testing that takes place on base. I would like to try and explain how the program works.

Several years ago, I was assigned to Joint Force Headquarters for a year, along with two Army representatives, to manage the drug testing program for Army and Air Force Guard in Massachusetts. Together we oversaw over 8,000 guardsman. My office generated the testing that occurs monthly. Contrary to what some of you might believe, the program is based solely on percentages of people entered in to the database. The Drug Testing Program Manager, Tech Sgt. Beverly Nunez, is tasked with ensuring the base hits percentages dictated by Guard Bureau in Washington D.C. Col. Keefe, as commanders, is responsible for making sure those numbers are reached.

There is no way to add any one singular person in to the database unless a commander orders it. The

program is not designed to single any one person out. If an individual is given a letter to provide a specimen, it is their duty to arrive in a timely manner, listen to instruction and complete necessary paperwork. The USO provides refreshments as a courtesy, it is not an opportunity for people to report for drug testing and hang out for a couple hours. I know it is not a perfect system and the commanders know as well. There are other options being discussed but nothing concrete as of now.

I continue to hear from individuals how it is inconvenient to go to testing or how they may be excused due to work requirements.

If you are handed a letter by a trusted agent, usually one of the 104th First Sergeants, only the commander can excuse you, as it is his program. The First Sergeants cannot excuse anyone from testing. It is unethical and sets a poor example for those who do what they are told without comment or complaint. The First Sergeants are



representatives for their respective commanders, do not "kill the messenger" when you receive a letter.

Please have a safe and productive weekend. My door is always open if you have any questions or concerns.

- Senior Master Sgt. Thomas Moriarty

ANG command chief visits 104th Fighter Wing

By Senior Airman Loni Kingston

WESTFIELD, Mass. - Command Chief Master Sergeant of the Air National Guard James W. Hotaling spoke to the Airmen of the 104th Fighter Wing here Feb. 6.

Chief Master Sgt. Hotaling took the time to conduct an all call with the junior enlisted and a separate all call for the senior enlisted.

During the junior enlisted all call, Hotaling surveyed the Airmen to see who had served in the Air Force the longest and who was the most recent graduate of Air Force Basic Military Training. Airman 1st Class Juan Ochoa was the most recent BMT graduate here, having returned from training in January.

Hotaling told the group about the new 5,000 seat stadium at Lackland Air Force Base that is shaped like the Air Force wings and is the finish line for the Airmen's Run that occurs the Thursday of graduation week for BMT. He asked Ochoa to recount his experience during the Airmen's Run.

"To be honest, I felt proud. It was the first time I had seen my family and I was getting to show them I graduated basic military training," said Ochoa, of finishing the Airmen's run in the coliseum-style stadium.

Hotaling talked about the significance of earning the title of "Airman" at the end of basic training.

After Ochoa participated in assisting Hotaling in describing the new BMT to the group, Hotaling gave Ochoa a Command Chief's coin. Hotaling's



Chief Master Sgt. James W. Hotaling, command chief master sergeant of the Air National Guard, coined Outstanding Airman of the Year award winners: Staff Sgt. Mark Giromini, Staff Sgt. Mary Keeler, Master Sgt. William Craig, and Chief Master Sgt. Anthony Swana while visiting the 104th Fighter Wing, Barnes Air National Guard Base, Feb. 6, 2016. (photo by Senior Airman Loni Kingston)

Command Chief coin has three significant numbers on it; 1636, 1947, and 54. The National Guard was founded on Dec. 13, 1936, the Air Force was created on Sept. 18, 1947, and there are 54 states, territories and the District of Columbia that have guard units.

Hotaling showed the video "By the Numbers," which illustrates the progression of our Air Force from its beginning to its current status.

"This is reality. We are the smallest air force in history, the most engaged, and in the most sustained deployment since Aug. 6, 1990: Desert Storm," Hotaling said.

Hotaling asked everyone in the room to look down on the left side of their uniform jacket.

"What does it say?" he asked while everyone read the words "U.S. Air Force" on their uniform.

"Does it say Massachusetts on it?" he continued. "Does it say Air National Guard? No. Why does it say U.S. Air Force? Because that's who you are; you are in the United States Air Force."

Hotaling discussed the importance of the three components of the Air

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Force: the active-duty Air Force, the Air Force Reserves, and the Air National Guard.

"Not one of those components can be a U.S. Air Force by itself," he said. "The United States needs an Air Force to go fight its wars. You are a part of that! And you saw in those numbers that we're all together in this."

Hotaling also spoke about the importance of resiliency in Airmen in our Air Force and how Airmen can apply the Four Pillars of Resiliency to their service and their lives.

"If you are going to take vitamins and supplements, the two you should take are Omega 3 and Vitamin D. It is going to clear you and un-fog you," Hotaling said, speaking to an aspect of the physical pillar.

He explained that the mental pillar of resiliency includes how you as an individual cope with stress in your life. The social pillar is about taking some time off, and the spiritual pillar is about believing in something greater than yourself.

Prior to opening the forum up to a question and answer session for the Airmen, Hotaling stressed the importance of recognizing their Airmen appropriately and supporting morale.

"Whether you serve six years or an entire career, just know that you're providing service to your nation," Hotaling said of Air National Guardsmen. "Be inspired and be proud."



Chief Master Sgt. James W. Hotaling, command chief master sergeant of the Air National Guard, spoke with junior enlisted Airmen during an enlisted all-call while visiting the 104th Fighter Wing, Barnes Air National Guard Base, Feb. 6, 2016. (photo by Senior Airman Loni Kingston)



Chief Master Sgt. James W. Hotaling, command chief master sergeant of the Air National Guard, thanked Airmen from the services flight for lunch while visiting the 104th Fighter Wing, Barnes Air National Guard Base, Feb. 6, 2016. (photo by Senior Airman Loni Kingston)



Safety, How-Goes-it: *Most Mishaps are preventable!*

By Senior Master Sgt. Thomas Dumais, 104th Fighter Wing Safety Office

The unit has experienced 6 mishaps/injuries since the last How-Goes-It.

- Worker exiting vehicle rolled ankle, fractured foot, restricted duty
- Worker preparing equipment, struck by metal pole, lost workdays
- Worker positioning equipment, slip/fall on ice, returned to duty
- Participant off duty fell skiing, fractured leg, restricted duty
- Participant jogging on treadmill, pulled chest muscle, lost workdays
- Worker injured attaching tow bar, fractured foot, restricted duty

With the 104th Fighter wing deploying in support of Red Flag, one of the consequences of a new location, new work shifts, new facilities, new deadlines, and new operating procedures is the likelihood of a mishap or injury happening. Our recent Red Flag is a good example of just such a situation. We deployed a little over 100 personnel and the end result was we experienced 4 injuries, with 3 of them warranting the individuals being returned home for further local medical evaluation and treatment.

This is a perfect opportunity to once again put our safety pitch out there. “Most Mishap are Preventable!” To truly prevent a mishap means we need to be cognizant that there is a hazard associated with just about everything we do. Then you tack on a new location, new work shifts, new facilities, new operating procedures, new deadlines and the stage is set for a mishap. Yes some can argue that there is increased operations tempo at a Red Flag, but I have yet to find out where it says you can let your guard down and chance being injured because you are too busy. In fact, this is the time we should be more aware of our surroundings! Our business is a serious one, with serious consequences if risks are not controlled. This is true for both our aircraft operations and for our personnel operations.

The takeaway... I would like you to consider risk management and how you apply it to what you do. Not just at home station or some of the time, but all of the time. In each of the above mishaps a strong argument can be made that each one was preventable. If this is true, then why did they happen?

Did they happen for no reason? I think you can agree no one needs or want to be hurt doing their job — ever! The only way this is possible is with your help in identifying hazards and controlling them. This takes everyone to buy in, not rush, not cut corners, do proper risk management, and understand if this it not done, someone is going to get injured or something is going to be damaged.

No one wants to get hurt, but at times we forget to do the things we need to do to prevent it from happening. This can mean many things, but the most important message it tells us is to do it right and to do it safe. All we ask is for each person to do their best to recognize the hazards and control it before it reminds you why you should have. Have you ever heard of someone cutting themselves with a knife? If you have, why then does it keep happening? If it can happen, it will if the hazard is not controlled. This is true time and time again. There are two options in everything we do and having a safe outcome is one of them. As we always do, we ask nothing more than for you to keep making it happen — SAFELY!

New Wing Chief of Safety: Maj Dan “Riddler” Yerrington

It is an honor to be your new Wing Chief of Safety. We have a great team of individuals here as you know, who will work hard to support you as we strive for the Air Force’s “Quest for Zero” mishap goal rate. While zero is always a great goal to strive for when it comes to mishaps, whether ground, weapons, or flight, there is always the possibility of mishaps due to machine or man. The primary element each of us can do in proactive safety is to minimize the chance for human error by exercising risk management on and

off duty.

There were 12 off duty fatalities in 2015, 11 involving private motor vehicles and one skydiving. We each need to assess the risk we are about to partake in our daily and routine activities and minimize those by not taking any unnecessary risks. It is also incumbent on each individual to report hazards to create a safer work environment for everyone, as everyone is an active participant in safety.

Although safety is not a top-down program, every commander and supervisor does play a significant role in helping to establish and maintain a safety culture in which on duty safety and risk management is emphasized and exemplified. Please involve the safety office to support you in your organizations so that we can accomplish the mission effectively with minimum risk to our personnel and aircraft.



Chaplain's Corner - You Have Great Worth

By Father Kenneth Devoie, 104th Fighter Wing Chaplain

A well know speaker started off his seminar by holding up a twenty dollar bill. In a room of 200 people he asked, "Who would like this \$20 bill?" Hands started going up. He said, "I am going to give this bill to one of you – but first, let me do this." He proceeded to crumple the 20 dollar note up. He then asked, "who still wants it?" Still the hands were up in the air. "Well he replied, what if I do this?" He dropped it on the ground and started to grind it into the floor with his shoe. He picked it up, now crumpled and dirty. "Now, who still wants it?" Still the hands went

in the air.

"My friends, you have all learned a very valuable lesson. No matter what I did to the money, you still wanted it because it did not decrease in value. It was still worth \$20. Many times in our lives, we are dropped, crumpled, and ground into the dirt by the decisions we make and the circumstances that come our way. We feel as though we are worthless; but no matter what happened or what will happen, you will never lose your value to God. (Author unknown)

Sometimes we don't look to the

divine until we have used up everything inside of ourselves. That is ok – sometimes that is when God can make the biggest difference in our lives. Know that you are important. The One who knitted you together in your mother's womb cares very much for you and thinks you are of great value.

Many blessings!

For Your Information

AMXS Position Opening

The 104th Maintenance Squadron is hiring an Aircraft Maintenance Officer, AFSC 021A3. The position is a Major slot. This is a commissioning opportunity also. Package deadline is May 8th. The board date is to be determined. The POC for more information is Maj. Michael Dibrindisi at ext. 698-1219 or at 1-413-568-9151 ext. 698-1219

The position is for a Traditional Guardsmen as the Component Maintenance Flight (CMF) OIC. The CMF OIC administers aircraft maintenance programs and resources, assess unit capability, and advises senior leadership. Maintains workforce discipline and responds to personnel issues while balancing workforce availability and skill levels with operational requirements. Instills maintenance discipline, security awareness, and force protection concepts.

There is an expectation for member to be able to deploy for combat, AEF, TDY, PME, and/or other professional development schools at least 1-2 times per year, with up to 30 days of military duty per year.

An undergraduate degree specializing in business administration, management, human resource management, or aviation science is desirable. Prior enlisted experience in Aircraft Maintenance disciplines is a plus, but not required.

Appointment is contingent upon completion of the Academy of Military Science (AMS) and Aircraft Maintenance Officer Course (AMOC). Verification of AFOQT scores is required upon interview.

To apply please submit a completed package including a résumé, an unopened official copy of your college transcripts, and a copy of your AFOQT scores no later than the application

deadline to Chief Andres Huxtable andres.a.huxtable.mil@mail.mil, 413-568-9151 ext. 698-1435, 104th Force Support Squadron. Additionally, you may submit copies of any certifications that are required or that apply to the position at the time of the interview.

Additional Instructions: You will be notified via email regarding the board time, date, and location. Attire will be uniform of the day. If you are not eligible to meet the board, you will be notified by letter.

EO Office Vacancy

Deadline March 6

The Equal Opportunity Office has a vacancy for the NCOIC position. The position AFSC is 3S1X1 and is an E5-E7 Master Sergeant slot. The minimum grade eligible to Apply is E5 (prior qualification in any AFSC at the 5-skill level or higher). Point of contact for more information: Lt. Col. David Castonguay at ext. 698-1328.

The full advertisement ran in the February edition of the AirScoop. Visit www.104fw.ang.af.mil.

Changes to Maternity Leave

Effective February 5, 2016, an additional 6 weeks of maternity leave has been authorized for members on active duty (to include Reserve and Guard). This non-chargeable 12-week total leave must be taken continuously and is not be transferred to create any kind of shared benefit between spouses. Airmen currently on ordinary leave may convert the chargeable ordinary leave to the new non-chargeable Maternity Leave. No Airmen shall be disadvantaged in her career, including limitations to assignments, evaluations, or selection for PME because she has taken Maternity Leave.

MassDOT Toll Changes

In October, the MassDOT will launch an electronic system called "Open Road Tolling" on the Mass Pike. Receivers over the Pike will read your E-ZPass transponder as you drive at highway speed. Drivers will pay by distance traveled. If you don't have a transponder, the "Pay by Plate" system takes a picture of your license plate, sends you a bill for the toll, and adds on a surcharge. Drivers are encouraged to install free transponders in their vehicles to avoid the surcharges.

Finance Counselor On Base

A Personal Financial Counselor, Debra Antel, from the Military and Family Life Counseling Program

Will be on base every Wednesday until April 2, 2016. She will be working out of the Family Readiness Office in Bldg. 1. If you wish to make an appointment with her please see her contact information listed below.

Phone: 774-205-3698

Email: MA-PFC2@mflc.zeiders.com

Hanscom AFB Tax Center

The Massachusetts National Guard/Hanscom AFB Tax Center is

open for appointments. Location of the services is W108 MANG JFHQ, 2 Randolph Road, Hanscom AFB. This is a free service and open to those who have income less than \$150,000 per year for married filing jointly or head of household and less than \$100,000 per year for single filers.

While space is limited, if you are unable to make an appointment please check back as more appointments are likely to be added. You must arrive for your appointments with all of your tax documents (W2s, 1099s, mortgage interest, real estate taxes, excise tax, etc.), proper identification, bank direct deposit information, and social security cards for dependents. The link for making appointments is:

<https://booknow.appointment-plus.com/4yypddsq>

Wing Policy on Reenlistments & Extensions for Personnel Over 20 Years of Service

Drill Status Guardsmen and Technicians with more than 20 years of service may only reenlist in 1 to 3 year increments.

AGRs with more than 20 years and 3 months TAFMS may only reenlist in 1 year increments.

Exceptions: to satisfy a service commitment in conjunction with PME or training, for promotion retainability or in other circumstances in a case-by-case basis.

EUCOM Benefits

Below is a list of possible EUCOM deployment benefits based on current PID, UTC, etc. Some entitlements may change based on mission changes and operational requirements.

180- Day Pre TRICARE:

Not entitled

180-Day Post TRICARE:

Not entitled

5-day Presidential Leave:

Not entitled

Early Retirement Credit:

YES - 3 months for each 90 day aggregate. ARPC is the final approval authority

Post Deployment Mobilization Respite Absence (PDMRA):

Not entitled

Downtime:

Entitled to 14 days if deployment is greater than or equal to 90 days

Entitled to 7 days if deployment is less than or equal to 89 days

5-Year USERRA Exemption:

YES

Post 9/11 GI Bill Eligibility:

YES if deployment is greater than or equal to 90 Days

DD Form 214:

YES, if deployment is greater than 90 days

POC for this information is 104th Force Support Squadron, CMSgt Andres A. Huxtable. Please call or email with any questions.

Family Retreat

The Strong Bonds "Family Retreat" is March 11-13th. The Strong Bonds site is TBD and they still have many openings left. This retreat is open to families that have children age 6-18. Single parents are also welcome. For more information contact the Chaplain Team (Master Sgt. Huertas, Staff Sgt. Reagan). Deadline for registration is Sunday of March Drill.

CGOs Needed

NGAUS and NGAMA will host two Company Grade Officers to travel to Washington, D.C. for a special Officer Professional Development opportunity. The two organizations are sponsoring a

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weekend trip to our Nation's Capital in an effort to better inform Company Grade Officers of the importance of NGAUS and NGAMA in the Legislative process. Two Company Grade Officer's (2LT, 1LT, CPT, WO1, CW2) who are interested in attending should apply by sending their name, contact information, unit and preferred dates to Augie Grace, NGAMA's Executive Director at Agrace1184@aol.com. The application deadline is 21 March 2016. The two NGAMA Company Grade Officers will be able to spend three days in Washington, D.C. meeting with Congressional staff, the NGAUS Legislative team and NGB personnel. NGAUS will cover the cost of the flight, hotel, transportation and meals. The trip dates will be July 17-19, 2016 and August 7-9, 2016. If interested please apply by the March 21 deadline. Also please forward this information to other NGAMA CGO's.

ANG Alumni

The ANG Association's next reunion is Wednesday, March 16, 2016, at the NCO Club. Social at 6 p.m. and dinner at 7 p.m. The cost is \$16 per person. Dinner served is: Corned Beef, Cabbage, Potatoes, Carrots, an assortment of breads and desserts, coffee and tea.

Make checks payable to: 104th Mass ANG Alumni Association. Mail checks along with names of ALL guests to Len Frigon, 778 West St, Ludlow, MA 01056.

Checks must be received NLT March 11. For questions, please call Pam Spear at 569-2422 or Len Frigon at 589-9157. Mark your calendars for upcoming reunions: May 18, July 20, September 21 and November 16.

Walk in Legal Assistance

The Legal Office provides legal assistance to all ANG members on the following legal deployment related issues: Wills, Powers of Attorney (Family Care Plans), Service members Civil Relief Act, and Employment and

Reemployment Rights. Walk In Hours are available every Saturday RSD from 9 a.m.-11 a.m. hours. If you are unable to come during this time, please call our office at ext. 1244 to make an appointment. We would be happy to accommodate your schedule. Notary Public Services also available.

Barber Shop Open

The Barber Shop will be open for the 2016 RSD dates. Enter Building 008, South Entrance. POC for the Barber Shop operations call: (413) 568-9151, x698-1234.

PVC Info

Did you know that the Pioneer Valley NCO Club is a Non-profit organization? Are you aware of what your membership money goes towards each year? A lot of people don't realize that the NCO Club is more than just a bar. We make donations to many different organizations on behalf of its members throughout the year. Your membership money goes towards all maintenance and improvements made at the NCO Club as well. Without your annual donations none of this would be possible. Pioneer Valley NCO Club Coins are available for purchase for \$10.

Please come by for the following events Saturday's of the RSDs; March (Beirut Tournament), May (Cinco De Mayo Party), Aug (Cook your own steak) and Oct (Octoberfest).

Funeral Uniform Policy

As per Wing Commander Col. James Keefe's direction, Wing members who attend funerals in uniform must wear Service Dress out of respect for the family. If you have any questions on this policy please contact your first Sergeant.

St. Patrick's Day Race

Volunteers are needed for the start-line and finish-line of the Holyoke St. Patrick's Day Parade. The race starts at 1 p.m. Saturday March 19. Park at Holyoke Community college and shuttle to start. Food and drink tokens will be

provided and a volunteer T-Shirt. Dress is at your discretion. No uniform. Family members may volunteer also. An e-invite went out to all Wing members. Please RSVP on-line.

<https://einvitations.afit.edu/inv/index.cfm?i=280068&k=006942097D5F>

For more information please contact Lt. Col. Brenda Hendricksen prior to March 12 at 698-1800.

25 Books Reading Campaign

The Maurice A. Donahue School in Holyoke will be having their annual 25 Books reading Campaign on Wednesday April 13, 2016 from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. During the event you will have an opportunity to read and interact with children. Uniform of the day. Please sign up on e-invite with your supervisor's permission.

<https://einvitations.afit.edu/inv/index.cfm?i=280211&k=0069420B7A56>

Contact Lt. Col. Brenda Hendricksen for more information at 6981800.

Worship Schedule

Protestant Worship:

Saturday, March 5 at 11:15 a.m. in the Chapel

Catholic/Orthodox Worship :

Sunday, March 6 at 11:30 a.m. in the Chapel

If you need to talk, the Chapel Team will be out and about. You can also stop in for a chat at the Base Chapel (Building 12, aka the Fitness Center) or call ahead at 698-1057.

Chief's Council Fundraiser

The Chief's Council are selling T-shirts. Sizes are available in XS to 2X. See your squadron council members or the MXG orderly room to purchase.

FEAWM Bowling Event

Social event for all federal employees, military and civilian, at Westover Lanes, March 29th, 2016, 5:30 p.m. until 9p.m. An e-mail went out to Wing with details.

OPERATION MILITARY KIDS CLUB—Mar UTA

Location: Boys and Girls Club of Greater Westfield, www.bgcwestfield.org, (413) 562-2301



Schedule of Activities

7:30

Bus Pickup at 104th, Departing from Building 8

8:00 – 8:15

Breakfast / Morning Meeting

8:15 – 9:15

Games Room Tournaments:

The Games Room is where the children will participate in table tournaments. Saturday: Poly Pong and Foosball. Sunday: Cherry Pick and Air Hockey. Award Certificates will be presented to all participants

9:15 – 10:15

OJJDP Mentoring Part I:

Board Games (Monopoly, Apples to Apples, Clue, Battleship, JENGA, etc)

10:15 – 11:00

Art Studio Arts & Crafts:

Saturday:

“Imagine YourSELF” Portraits

Sunday :

Shadow Drawings

11:00 – 12:00

NetSmartz and Gamestar Mechanic Computer Lab:

Saturday:

NetSmartz is a Boys and Girls Club program that teaches beginning learners how to use the computer properly.

Gamestar Mechanic is a program that teaches elementary and middle school aged children how to create their very own computer game.

Sunday:

American Idol—Karaoke fun using the Mondopad.

12:15 – 12:45

Lunch

Saturday:

Chicken Tenders, French Fries,

Apple Sauce, and 1% White Milk

Sunday:

Meatball Grinders, Potato chips, Mandarin Oranges, and 1% White Milk

1:00 – 2:15

OJJDP Mentoring Part II:

Triple Play / Healthy Habits:

Triple Play is a national Boys and Girls Club program that teaches healthy habits through physical activity.

Saturday and Sunday:

Obstacle Course

2:30 – 3:30

Swimming

4:00

Bus Departs for 104th, drop off location Building 8

Barnes ANG Kids' Easter Egg Hunt

Children (ages 10 and under)

Saturday, March 19, 2016

1:00PM-3:00PM

NCO Club

To sign up, contact Chief Walts by March 8 at 413-568-9151 ex. 698-1418 or maryanne.walts.mil@mail.mil.



Welcome to the Wing

Maj. Vincent Heitman	SFS
Maj. Richard Ward	131 FS
A1C Aline Sawula	AMXS
A1C Henry Denis	MXS
A1C Matthew Reynolds	SFS
Airman Jenna Olander	MDG

Retirements

March 2016

Lt. Col. Jeffery A. Blake	FW
Tech. Sgt. Jason J. Mclear	AMXS

April 2016

Master Sgt. Patrick F. Martunas	OSF
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May 2016

Master Sgt. Paul J. Silva	AMXS
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WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

AGR and Officer Meal Rate \$5.55
11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Saturday (Catered)

Soup – Vegetable & NE Clam Chowder
Entrees – Salisbury Steak or Roasted Turkey Breast
Starches – Mashed Potatoes or Steamed Rice & stuffing
Vegetables – Assorted

Short Order – NONE

Sunday (catered)

Salad Bar, Rolls, Assorted Desserts
Soup – Vegetable & NE Clam Chowder
Entrees – Baked Scrod w/lemon herb breadcrumb topping
Starches – Rice Pilaf or Oven roasted Red Skin Potatoes
Vegetables – Assorted

Short Order – NONE

Salad Bar, Rolls, Assorted Desserts

Promotions

To Airman

Troy Chauvin, LRS



To Senior Airman (E-4)

Kyle Kendall, CES

Patrick Elmore, CF



To Staff Sgt. (E-5)

Michael w. Poudrier, AMXS

Zach Gallerani, FSS

Bandon Flynn, MXS

Michael Cole, MXS

Andrew Castillo, CES



To Tech Sgt. (E-6)

Anthony J. Gaudino, MXS

Kyle A. Giovannoni, AMXS

Jozef W. Matteos, AMXS

Gerald F. Flanagan, AMXS

Daniel R. Haska, AMXS

Joseph M. Lamour, CES

Robert Krider, CES

Reuel Colon, OSF



CCTV broadcast line up

Channel 9 - Training videos



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Ready Set Go!



Incentive rides were enjoyed by four unit members February UTA. Above, left, Col. Sean Collins gets in an F-15 as Crew Chief Staff Sgt. Mark Mangini assists. Above, Col. Collins takes a photo with pilot Maj. Mark Fogel prior to stepping out to the aircraft. Left, Staff Sgt. Shane Coakley is taught the basics of the controls by Lt. Col. Mark Malouin. Other flights that weekend Staff Sgt. Mark Giromini and Senior Master Sgt. Thomas Orifice. (photos by Maj. Mary Harrington)

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